

Moscow-Leningrad Rail Key Taken

LONDON (CP)—Russian capture of Lyuban, a victory that virtually broke the Nazi grip on the Leningrad-Moscow rail line, was announced by Premier Stalin tonight in a special order of the day, broadcast from Moscow.

Thus the main rail line connecting the two largest cities in Russia has been freed except for the Chudovo terminal area, where the enemy was reported encircled and being annihilated.

Thorsen Wounded

Mrs. Stuart G. Geddes, 3232 Linwood Avenue, was advised by the Defence Department at Ottawa today that her brother, Acting Lt. Col. Roy G. "Cap" Thorsen, was wounded in Italy Jan. 21. The nature and extent of the injuries are not yet known. "Cap" Thorsen left the Times editorial staff in the summer of 1940 and went overseas with the 1st Canadian Scottish, going to Sicily last year and later to Italy. He is the second of former Times reporters to be in casualty list this month. F.O. Ormond Marston, R.C.A.F., was reported missing after a flight over Germany.

Hawken Trial Set

VANCOUVER (CP)—Trial of Charles Hawken on a charge of murdering Francis Boland will open in the Assize Court here Feb. 7.

Seal Jap Camps

VANCOUVER (CP)—Military guard was tightened and evacuees were forbidden to leave Japanese relocation centres in Arizona today after release of the U.S. army and navy statements on atrocities at prison camps in Japanese-held territories.

Deserter Jailed

VANCOUVER (CP)—Herbert R. McDonald, 20, army deserter, was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary by Magistrate H. S. Wood today after he had pleaded guilty to three charges of armed hold-up within the past four weeks. The five-year term on each charge will run concurrently.

Men for 5 Mines

VANCOUVER (CP)—Five gold mines in B.C. have been "selected" by Arthur MacNamara as eligible to receive quotas of men whenever these are available to regional offices, Fred B. Coles, regional employment manager, said today. He did not name the mines affected.

Northholm Probe

VANCOUVER (CP)—All the crew of the steamer Northholm could have got in the lifeboat and on the life raft that were launched when the ill-fated vessel foundered off Cape Scott, Jan. 16, 1943, Capt. Roy W. Perry, chief officer, testified in police court today as the first of two Department of Transport charges against the Union Steamships, owners of the vessel, got under way.

1,500 Tons of Bombs

LONDON (AP)—The R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. dropped 1,500 tons of explosives on Berlin in 20 minutes Thursday night, the Air Ministry announced tonight. This was 800 less than Berlin received in the record raid of Jan. 20. The concentration, 75 tons a minute, was some 10 tons under the record.

May Cost \$550,000,000

OTTAWA (CP)—The Evening Citizen said this afternoon in a newspaper story that ranking officials of the finance department and the Prime Minister's office gave a "rough estimate" of \$500,000,000 to \$600,000,000 as the annual cost of the far-reaching program of social security and veterans' rehabilitation outlined in the Throne Speech Thursday.

Canadians Neglected Not Mistreated

OTTAWA (CP)—Canadian prisoners of war held by the Japanese as the result of the fall of Hongkong Christmas Day, 1941, suffer from neglect rather than from mistreatment, Prime Minister King said this afternoon in the House of Commons.

A hushed House heard Mr. King tell of repeated Canadian attempts to get adequate supplies and mail to the men in Japanese prison camps, and of Japanese disregard of protests

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Mauled Germans Fleeing Toward Estonia Border

MOSCOW (AP)—Mauled German forces in northwest Russia were being hurled back today toward a line extending through Narva, in Estonia, Luga and Staraya Russa by charging Red Army units which had ripped to pieces their siege lines around Leningrad and captured the strategic railway junctions of Volosovo and Tosno.

The Germans were fighting to keep Soviet troops from the streets of Lyuban and Chudovo, their only two remaining towns on the double-tracked Leningrad-Moscow trunk line. All but 30 miles of the railway is in Russian hands.

At the lower end of the northwest front, the Nazis were battling frantically to keep the Russians west of Novgorod and Lake Ilmen from rushing on the Leningrad-Pskov and Leningrad-Vitebsk railways. Ski-men were but two miles from the Vitebsk line at midnight.

(Along the Baltic the Russians were reported within 33 miles of the Estonian border driving westward in the direction of Yamburg.)

(Red Star, the army newspaper, said the Germans were concentrating remnants of their defeated divisions in the Vitebsk sector, indicating a large force of Germans—probably up to 100,000—had been isolated northwest of Lake Ilmen.)

U.S. Leaders Demand Revenge

WASHINGTON (AP)—A demand that the United Nations "Bomb Japan out of existence" and hang the Mikado in retaliation for atrocities committed on U.S. and Filipino prisoners of war was voiced today by Senator Bennett Champ Clark (Dem., Missouri).

A veteran of the First Great War, Clark said the reports of the atrocities were the "most shocking thing anybody ever heard of and deserve the greatest punishment any nation ever had." (See British-U.S. reports Page 2.)

Nazi 10th Army Hurlled Back From Beachhead

By WES GALLAGHER

ALGIERS (AP)—The German 10th Army, backed by planes, struck with fury at the Allies' Nettuno beachhead, but was repulsed by British forces in a battle near Carroceto, on the Via Anziate 10 miles north of Anzio and 21 south of Rome, Allied headquarters announced today.

At the same time the Germans suffered their greatest air defeat of the Italian campaign, losing at least 50 planes in 24 hours in sky battles over the beachhead and over southern France, where heavy bombers struck at three airfields near Marseilles and Montpellier and crippled the bases from which Germans have been raiding Allied shipping off the Italian coast.

Heavy German armored trains, backed up almost to Rome, shelled Allied troops in the fan-shaped beachhead area, and correspondents reported that German tanks were assembling along the fringes of the beachhead as the enemy recovered from his surprise and mustered resources for a fiery contest for the Italian capital.

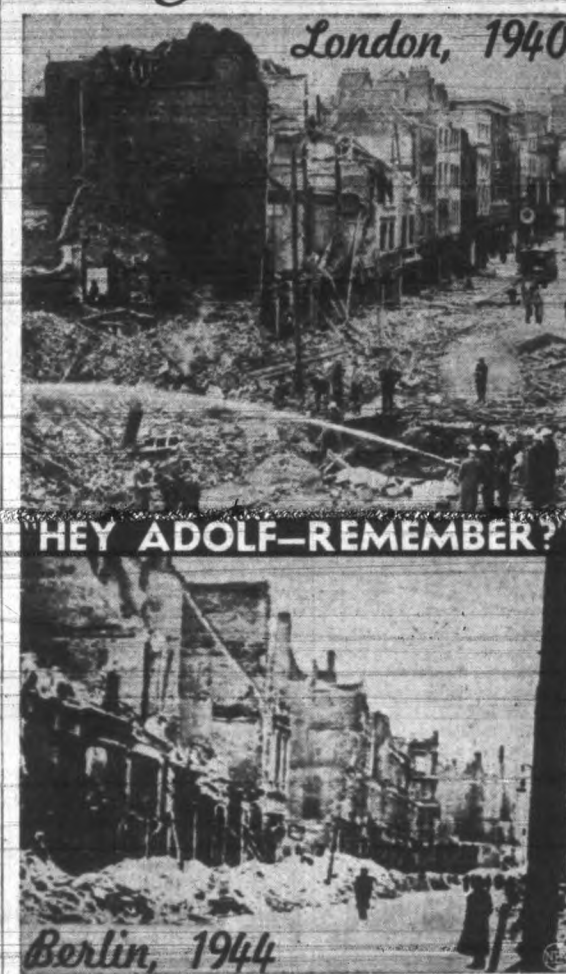
MANY PRISONERS
But today's communique from advanced headquarters said the 5th Army had enlarged its bridgehead and taken many German prisoners.

Associated Press correspondent Don Whitehead, in a delayed dispatch, said British and U.S. forces had established by the end of the fourth day a wedge so strong that Rome was menaced, and that optimism was running high among the troops, with men, guns, armor and supplies pouring into a broad area.

The 5th Army has extended its trip up the coast to a point 12 miles north of Anzio, another report said, and edged forward two miles in another sector Thursday.

Gen. Alexander's Italian headquarters reported the beachhead was at least five miles deep at all points now, generally six miles deep, and much deeper at some points.

Huge Fires Set In Nazi Capital; Heligoland Hit



London, 1940

Berlin, 1944

By W. W. HERCHER

LONDON (AP)—Hundreds of R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. heavy night bombers touched off huge flames in Berlin again Thursday night in a possible coup de grace to the Nazi nerve center, previously described as three-quarters destroyed.

The Air Ministry announced

described the 12th heavy assault of the obliteration campaign as "very strong," a statement borne out in the loss of 34 aircraft in all the night's operations. Eight Canadian bombers were listed as missing.

Other R.A.F. bombers hit at Heligoland, the Nazis' North Sea island fortress, while still others struck at "unarmed" targets in western Germany and northern France and laid mines in enemy waters.

For all practical purposes, this latest attack in the campaign launched last Nov. 18 to knock Berlin from the war might be described as a "mopping-up operation." It certainly was no considered here as the last assault planned against the German capital, but was looked upon rather as one of the decisive finishing strokes.

The Air Ministry's communique did not announce the tonnage, but it likely approached the 1,500-ton average of all previous heavy attacks. In this case, Berlin now has heaved and trembled to more than 18,000 tons of bombs in a little more than two months.

Sweden Reports Fires Left Burning

Early Swedish reports said the raid left great fires burning in the outer districts of Berlin where most of the capital's heavy industry is concentrated. The centre of the city, heavily pulverized in previous attacks, apparently escaped further damage.

The Berlin correspondent of the Swedish newspaper Aftonbladet said the first of Thursday night's bombs fell about 8 p.m., with the full force of the attack concentrated into about a half hour. He said the raid was considered "one of the worst" of the 12 blows but was not on the scale of the first attacks.

Berlin radio, making its usual claims that the raid was a "terror attack," said that "great damage was done, especially in residential quarters."

U.S. bombers took over the assault on Hitler's Europe shortly after daybreak today, thundering over the general area of the Nazis' "Atlantic Wall," and U.S. headquarters said that "a military target in northern France" had been blasted.

In 11 massed assaults which preceded Thursday night's raid on Berlin more than 16,000 tons of high explosives have fallen on the German capital.

Cut in Taxes on Industry Urged By Committee on Reconstruction

By FRANK FLAHERTY

OTTAWA (CP)—Major changes in the Canadian tax structure should be made after the war as a means of encouraging economic development and stabilizing conditions during the period of adjustment to peace conditions, it was recommended by the government's advisory committee on reconstruction in a report tabled in the House of Commons this afternoon.

The suggested changes include reduction in the corporation profits tax, elimination of the excess profits tax, and reconsideration of the consumer sales tax—with a view to reliance on the personal income tax to produce sufficient government revenue.

The report, accompanied by reports of sub-committees dealing with agriculture, publicly-financed construction projects, women's problems, conservation and development of natural resources, and postwar employment opportunities, was submitted to Prime Minister King some time ago and is believed already to have influenced the government's legislative program as announced

Thursday in the Speech from the Throne.

The most marked feature of the impact of war on Canadian economy, the committee found, is the increase in productive capacity. This would have a profound effect after the war since Canada would be equipped to produce more than before.

WORK FOR ALL

A summary of the objectives expressed by the committee for the postwar period follows:

1. Provision of peacetime employment for all men able and willing to work;
2. Production of goods and services adequate to demand;
3. A social security program to protect those unable to work or to obtain employment and ensure adequate nutrition and educational opportunities for children;
4. A minimum of delay in restoring free functioning of markets, domestic and foreign;
5. Modification of monetary policy, price control and rationing from time to time to prevent particular segments of the economy from developing inflationary conditions.

Ottawa Expropriates Eldorado Mines

OTTAWA (CP)—All properties of Eldorado Mining and Refining Ltd. have been expropriated by the government, Munitions Minister Howe announced this afternoon in the House of Commons. He said the action had been taken for "more effective prosecution of the war."

It was the intention to carry on present operations. The present company officers had agreed to continue their services.

The directors had agreed with the government that a fair valuation was represented by a price of \$1.35 a share and the directors and other large shareholders had sold to the government at that price. The same price was being offered all shareholders.

and the usual obligations for the care of prisoners of war.

As to the atrocities listed in the British and U.S. official statements, Mr. King said the reports are "so horrible and overwhelming as to be almost incredible."

Vancouver Calls B.C.E.R. Parley

VANCOUVER (CP)—Leaders of 22 Fraser Valley and lower mainland municipalities today were invited by Acting Mayor George Miller to a City Hall conference here, Feb. 9, to discuss the proposed conversion of the B.C. Electric Railway Company into a publicly-owned utility.

Authority to summon meeting was given this morning by Mayor Cornett in a telegram from Montreal, following his receipt of a letter in which Premier John Hart outlined a five-point program for debate.

Hollanders Called For Juliana's Visit

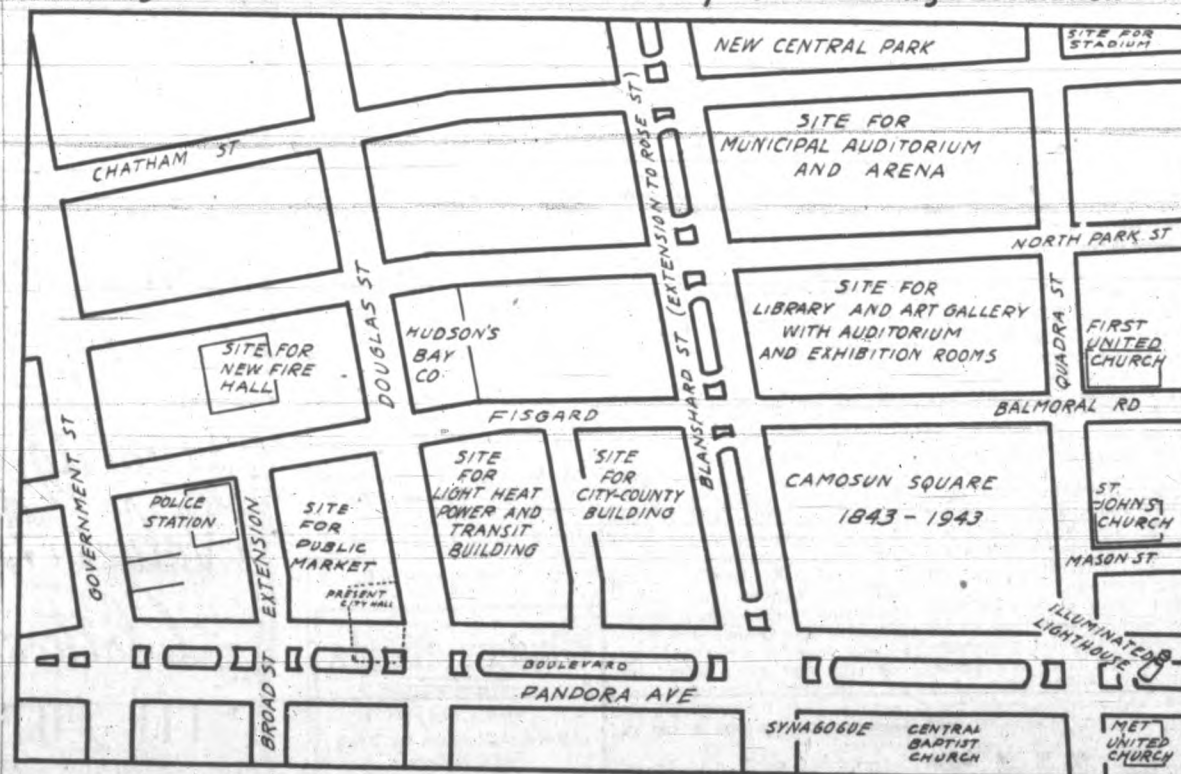
All Netherlands who will be in Victoria Feb. 3 or 4 during the visit of Crown Princess Juliana were today asked to notify the Netherlands consul or vice-consul in British Columbia. The notice was issued here by W. G. C. Holland, vice-consul, 922 Government Street.

\$4,500 Libel Verdict

BOSTON (AP)—A federal court jury awarded Louis G. Balsam, former New England Office of Price Administration food administrator, a \$4,500 verdict in a \$100,000 libel suit against radio commentator Fulton Lewis Jr.

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Widening of Pandora Avenue Worked Out By Town Planning Association



Civic Centre plan of the Victoria Town Planning Association was made public today by L. A. Gale, association secretary, as it was placed before Mayor McGavin and members of the City Council.

This is the fourth plan in connection with reconstruction developments now being worked out for Victoria in readiness for postwar action.

All four plans which are now the subject of such widespread discussion, have been given to the public exclusively through the columns of the Victoria Daily Times.

The first two plans for a civic centre around the Causeway with

a new city hall, aquarium, court-house, art gallery and auditorium, were produced by Alderman Hawkins' Civic Planning Committee. The third plan proposed filling in the harbor in front of the Parliament Buildings and cutting a grand plaza through to Pandora Street, with a new city hall there.

In the fourth plan to be given official recognition, the Victoria Town Planning Association today predicated major features of development on the realignment and improvement of certain streets.

As shown in the foregoing black-and-white draft of the plan prepared exclusively for the

Times, major features of development would be predicated on the realignment and improvement of certain streets.

Pandora would be widened to the same width as at the Vancouver intersection, and would carry through to Government at least with central boulevards extended east from the present "light-house." The roadway would run through the present city hall site. Cormorant Street would cease to exist. Balmoral would be aligned with Fisgard, North Park with Herald and Caledonia with Chatham. The present fire hall would disappear and be replaced with a major centre across Fisgard from the existing police station,

with Broad Street extended to Fisgard to permit an approach. The jog would be eliminated at the Pandora-Quadra intersection and Blanshard, north of Pandora, would be made a first line street. Relocation of buildings and proposed new developments are shown on the plan and are self-explanatory.

The undertaking, in the opinion of Mr. Gale, should be spread over a 10-year period, and administered by a town planning commission as authorized under the town-planning act.

The section shown in the map covers the civic centre only, and is linked with a general plan covering a much wider area.

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Unparalleled Jap Atrocities Listed By British, U.S.

LONDON (CP)—Foreign Secretary Eden told the House of Commons today that thousands of British troops had died as prisoners of the Japanese after being compelled to live "under tropical jungle conditions without adequate shelter, clothing, food or medical attention."

Britain, he warned, will not forget Japan's misdeeds.

Mr. Eden's statement came in the wake of a United States army disclosure in Washington that the Japanese had tortured, starved and murdered many of the 36,000 U.S. and Filipino soldiers captured at Bataan and Corregidor.

The Foreign Secretary charged that Japanese authorities had dictated postcards and letters received from prisoners giving the impression they were in good health and well-treated.

"The information which has just reached the government no longer leaves any room for doubt that the true state of affairs is a different one so far as the great majority of prisoners in Japanese hands are concerned," Eden said.

He voiced the warning: "Let the Japanese government reflect that in time to come the record of their military authorities in this war will not be forgotten."

AUTHENTICITY PROVED

Pointing out that the Japanese government had refused permission for neutral inspection of their prison camps, Eden said that "for some time past information has been reaching His Majesty's government regarding the conditions under which prisoners are detained and work in some of these areas, and as it was of so grave a character as likely to cause distress to relatives, His Majesty's government felt bound to satisfy itself as to the authenticity of the reports."

(Mr. Eden did not mention Canadian prisoners. The Canadian government has announced there were 1,984 officers and men of the Royal Rifles of Canada, Quebec and the Winnipeg Grenadiers among the Hongkong garrison when it fell Dec. 25, 1941. Of these 296 are officially assumed to have been killed in action or missing and the rest taken prisoners.)

Referring to the "many thousands" of British prisoners held in Thailand alone, Eden said: "Our information is that their health is rapidly deteriorating, that a high percentage of them are seriously ill, and that there have been several thousand deaths. The number of such deaths reported by the Japanese to us is just over 100."

WORSE IN HONGKONG

"Conditions in Hongkong appear to be growing worse," Eden continued. "The whole story would appear to be very bad indeed, but I have worse to come. We have a growing list of cases of brutal outrage on individuals, or groups of individuals."

"I cannot burden the House with full details of these, but in order to give some idea of their nature I must, I fear, quote one or two typical examples."

Eden then cited the case of a Shanghai police officer who was interned with 300 other Allied nationals there.

"He incurred the displeasure of the Japanese gendarmes and was taken to their office in another part of town," Eden related.

"When he emerged from the building he was practically out of his mind. His arms and feet were infected where ropes had left deep scars, and he had lost 40 pounds weight. He died within a day or two of his release."

3 BRITONS KILLED

The second case concerned three British subjects, who escaped from a Japanese internment camp in the Philippines, Feb. 11, 1942.

"They were recaptured and flogged by the camp guard," Eden said. "Two days later they were sentenced to death by a military court, in spite of the fact that international law prescribes imposition of only disciplinary punishment for attempts to escape."

"The firing party used automatic pistols, and three of the men were not killed outright."

He said the hands of a number of Indian soldiers captured in Burma had been tied behind their backs and then the men had been

systematically bayoneted from behind—each receiving three bayonet thrusts.

In another case a British officer taken prisoner in Burma was clubbed across the face with a sword, then tied to a stake with a rope around his neck, so that only by lunging up on tiptoes could he get enough air to live. The officer was saved when the Allies attacked the Japanese fled.

Assailing the "barbarous nature of our Japanese enemies," Eden declared Japan violated not only the principles of international law "but all canons of decent civilized conduct."

By WILLIAM FRYE

WASHINGTON (AP)—A horror story scarcely paralleled in the annals of modern war—how the Japanese starved, tortured and in some cases wantonly murdered the gallant defenders of Bataan—has been told by the United States army and navy.

Documentary sworn statements of officers who escaped from prison camps, the joint announcement issued Thursday night, described a cold-blooded campaign of savagery carried out after the 36,000 U.S. and Filipino troops on Bataan and Corregidor had been overwhelmed.

The account began by telling of thousands of deaths in Japanese camps (2,200 Americans, died in two months in one camp) and then recited that:

When the Americans and Filipinos first were taken prisoner, those found with Japanese money or tokens were beheaded. Survivors were beaten along a "march of death" from the scene.

Twelve thousand men were kept penned in a 100-yard-square area without food for a week.

A widely used torture was the "sun treatment." Captives were made to sit in the blazing sun all day without cover and with little water.

THREE BURIED ALIVE

Six men—three Americans and three Filipinos—died from mistreatment, were buried while still alive.

Men "literally were worked to death."

Three officers who attempted to escape had their hands tied behind them, then their hands were pulled upward by ropes attached to an overhead pulley so they had to remain standing and bent forward to ease the pressure on their arms. They were left thus for two days and periodically beaten. One officer was then beheaded and the other two were shot.

(The report was assembled from statements made by Cmdr. Melvin H. McCoy, United States Navy, Indianapolis; Lt. Col. S. M. Melnik, Coast Artillery, of Duane, Pa., and Lt. Col. William E. Dyess, Air Corps, of Albany, Tex.)

Dyess was killed in a crash of his fighter plane at Burbank, Cal., recently while he was preparing to return to combat against the Japanese. Melnik now is with Gen. Douglas MacArthur's command in the Southwest Pacific and McCoy is on duty in the United States.

Dyess told the army that the "march of death" began when thousands of prisoners were herded together at Mariveles Airfield on Bataan at daylight April 10, 1942, after their surrender.

Some of them had food, he said, but the guards would not permit any of them to eat; they were searched, their personal belongings taken, those with Japanese tokens or money were beheaded, and then—in groups of 500 to 1,000 men—the prisoners were marched along the National Road off Bataan toward San Fernando in Pampanga province.

Those who still had personal belongings were stripped of them and the Japanese slapped and beat them with sticks as they marched without food or water on a hot day.

"Many of us went crazy and several died," Dyess reported.

The report said that prisoners taken at Corregidor a month later, among them McCoy and Melnik, had no experience quite like the death march.

However, 7,000 Americans and 5,000 Filipinos were concentrated on a square of concrete about 100 yards on each side, kept there without food for a week. There was only one water spigot for the 12,000 men. After seven days they got their first rations—one mess kit of rice and a can of sardines.

Camp O'Donnell, said Dyess' statement, had virtually no water facilities—prisoners stood in line from 6 to 10 hours to get a drink.

After one week, the deathrate among American soldiers was 20 a day, among the Filipinos 150. After two weeks, the deathrate had increased to 50 a day among Americans and 500 among the Filipinos.

Dyess, Melnik and McCoy and 966 others were crowded into the hold of a 7,000-ton freighter at Manila for shipment to Davao, Mindanao Island, in the Philippines, a voyage which took 11 days.

There, McCoy, Melnik and Dyess escaped from Davao April 4, 1943. When they left, 1,100 of the 2,000 prisoners there were still able to work.

Labor Report Would Ban Strikes, Lockouts; Adjust Pay Injustices

By JACK WILLIAMS

OTTAWA (CP)—Recommendations for compulsory collective bargaining and other legislation covering labor relations were made by the National War Labor Board in reports tabled in the House of Commons this afternoon by Labor Minister Mitchell.

The reports, based on the board's 1943 inquiry into labor relations and wage conditions, contained lengthy suggestions on both subjects. The wage recommendations provided a basis for the recent amendments to the government's wartime wage-control order. The suggestions for improvement in labor relations have resulted in a government decision to enact a new labor code, expected to be made public shortly.

The majority report on the six-week inquiry was signed by the chairman, Mr. Justice C. F. McTague, and Leon Lalonde, J. L. Cohen, K.C., since removed from the board by Order-in-Council, signed a minority report.

On many of the more important points, the two reports were in agreement.

LABOR RELATIONS

The majority report proposed a national Labor Relations Board to administer a labor code for war industries, providing for compulsory collective bargaining, with safeguards against abuses by either labor or industry, and penalties under the defence of Canada regulations. All disputes, whether or not covered by collective agreements, would be compulsorily arbitrated, and strikes and lockouts outlawed.

The minority report also proposed a code and included a suggestion that the government be outlawed. Establishment of permanent conciliation boards was proposed to handle disputes outside provisions of the code.

LABOR MANAGEMENT

Both reports recommended establishment of labor-management committees on a broad scale, with industry-labor councils for each industry. The majority report proposed the eventual organization of a national council of employers and labor.

ON LABOR REPRESENTATION

Both reports supported labor's request for representation on government boards.

ON WAGES

The majority report proposed revision of wage-control regulations with the establishment of a floor of 50 cents an hour up to which free bargaining could be carried on. As an alternative, family allowances were suggested. Increases could be authorized to rectify "gross inequalities and injustices" and cost-of-living bonuses should be merged with the base rate or a new bonus instituted from a revised cost-of-living index.

The minority report recommended restriction of wage increases to reward greater productivity, rectify sub-standard or inequitable rates, or in cases justified by manpower needs; removal of restrictions on adjustment of wages up to 50 cents an hour. Payment of the full cost-of-living bonus (then \$4.25 a week and since increased to \$4.60 for adult workers) to all workers.

WOMEN IN INDUSTRY

The majority report recommended organization of a women's employment board.

The minority report advocated encouragement of employment of women in industry, "to the fullest extent necessary in the interests of production," on a basis of equal pay for equal work.

INCOME TAX

The majority report proposed "changes in methods of income tax deductions so as to put deductions on a more level basis and dispel the prevailing impression that overtime pay is taxed at unduly heavy rate."

The minority report proposed income tax exemption on overtime pay by order-in-council, and

a review of the application of taxes on overtime.

The majority report termed the right of collective bargaining "the most important question involved" in its investigation. Although the right had been recognized in a practical way in Canada for 50 years it had been resisted "by far the majority of employers."

A satisfactory code of labor relations would have to take cognizance of unnecessary and undesirable tactics on the part of both labor organizers and industry.

"The only solution that we see is to make collective bargaining compulsory under a code providing a set of rules that will be fair to both parties and in the national interest and administered by an umpire who cannot be called into question," the report said.

On the subject of wages and cost-of-living bonuses the majority report mentioned the importance of an education program to inform labor of the government's price and wage control policy.

It had been clearly demonstrated that a wage of 50 cents an hour or \$24 a week was insufficient for the head of a family to maintain a proper standard of living.

Family allowances, proposed as an alternative, presented a number of administrative complexities, but such an allowance could be made to workers for each child below the age of 16 on a "reduced

ing basis" dependent on the number of children.

In their conclusions Chairman McTague and Mr. Lalonde said they were "seriously concerned" with the effects of inflation on workers.

On a suggestion by Mr. Cohen in his minority report that all workers receive full cost-of-living bonus, the majority report said an increase of 25 cents in the bonus, paid for an increase of 1 per centage point in the index, meant a total payroll increase of from \$28,000,000 to \$35,000,000.

"To multiply that figure several times to give effect to Mr. Cohen's proposals staggers us to a greater extent than it does Mr. Cohen," the majority report said.

Mr. Cohen in his report said the action of some employers in interfering with or destroying workers' organizations while the government "stands idly by" despite a declaration of policy favoring collective bargaining, produced industrial unrest and was harmful to war morale.

Framing of a general Dominion labor code applicable to all industry and enterprise relating to the war effort was advanced by Mr. Cohen as the only practical solution. Such a code should include provisions assuring collective bargaining rights against "unfair" labor practices like discrimination and the operation of "company unions."

Mr. Cohen also proposed a wider interpretation of "war industries" than was suggested in the majority report.

Mr. Cohen said labor's volun-

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tary "no-strike" pledge for the war period had not been reciprocated by management and the government, and that this default should be remedied and the pledge revived and adhered to by all parties.

Mr. Cohen, who said he was "utterly opposed" to the scheme, said the two proposals of the majority report had "no conceivable relationship."

"The proposal to substitute some family allowance relief measure instead of correcting standard wages ignores the true character of wages," he said.

The proposal denied the principle of "equal pay for equal work," he contended, and ignored the fact that unmarried workers might have dependents or that they were entitled to provide for a future in which they could support dependents.

Mr. Cohen said such a scheme was commendable as part of a general social security program applying to both rural and urban areas; but it should not be introduced as a correction for low wage standards.

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THE BROAD VIEW

REGARDLESS OF THE DICTUM OF Field Marshal Smuts and the declaration of Viscount Halifax in Toronto last Monday, particularly as these two utterances concern the internal relations of the British Commonwealth and Empire, part of the Speech from the Throne with which the new session of Parliament was opened at Ottawa yesterday clearly enunciated the external policy which the present government of this Dominion intends to pursue. The brevity of its phrasing adds to the emphasis of its practical intent. Canadians are told that the time has come when all the nations "now united in the common purpose of winning the war" should seek "unitedly" to ensure an enduring peace. From this declaration of the obvious the reference proceeds:

"The dangers of future aggression can be removed, and world security attained, only by general international organization of peace-loving nations. You will accordingly be invited to approve Canadian participation in the establishment of an organization to further national security through international co-operation. While the postwar objective of our external policy is world security and general prosperity, the postwar objective of our domestic policy is social security and human welfare."

Prime Minister Smuts envisioned four groupings: The British Empire, the United States, the Western Hemisphere, and the British Commonwealth and Empire. The latter, in her influence by a 1944 model of imperial federation. No doubt because he was speaking in the industrial and economic centre of the Dominion which long ago rejected the idea of centralization of empire policy in its widest application, Viscount Halifax tipped gingerly down the corridor of time to consult the evolutionary processes through which Canada had gone to reach her present national status and her position among the nations of the world. He tarried awhile to look at the Statute of Westminster, to weigh its implications in their broadest meaning, and came to the conclusion that this document was, after all, really a "Declaration of Interdependence." Nor will anybody seriously quarrel with that definition; in it lies its potency. But when the eminent statesman alluded to the "dilemma" which faced the Dominions on Sept. 3, 1939—a repetition of the circumstances which obtained a quarter of a century earlier—he might well have placed more emphasis on the effective manner in which the Dominions met the situation which then presented itself to them. In 1914, we recall, it was the Kaiser who visualized an Empire falling apart under the impact of his challenge; his successor 25 years later was certain of complete disintegration when the bell sounded for the second round of the original conflict to begin. So much for the "dilemma." But let Lord Halifax explain it in his own way:

"What then is the solution? There is the road of national isolation. They (the Dominions) can choose in peace, and after full deliberation, the course that they rejected in 1939. They can say—and who should attempt to gainsay them—that their foreign policy will be unconcerned with any but their own immediate national interests, that it will not reflect an underlying unity of ideal or strive towards unity in action; that they will neither defend others, nor expect others to defend them."

Admittedly, the Dominions have grown up; they have accepted, with good or bad grace, the benefits of the larger association in general. And it will be agreed that this presupposes a willingness to accept more of the responsibilities of partnership in the Commonwealth—not forgetting, incidentally, their respective contributions to the disposal of the two "dilemmas." Lord Halifax's suggestion of a new isolationism, however, need not be considered seriously. Science has so shrunk the world that this and other outmoded philosophies belong to a day long past. What happens in one part of the world is of immediate concern to what happens thousands of miles distant; and Victoria is only 60 hours by plane from the remotest outpost of civilization. And what relationship could Canadian isolationism, for example, have to the general concept of the new world order envisaged by the United Nations and by the conferees at Moscow three months ago?

More frequent consultation between the leaders of the component parts of the British family naturally would contribute to the Empire's influence in the "international organization of peace-loving nations" for which the Ottawa pronouncement bespeaks Canada's support and membership. But it must be patent to Lord Halifax that it was the looseness of the tie, the right to exercise the "greatest latitude" of which he spoke in Toronto, which had bound the Commonwealth firmly together and automatically produced unity of action against the common enemy. In other words, the King government's formula for enduring peace is based on the assumption that the old order—of spheres of influence, balances of power, and other special arrangements—is as extinct as the dodo. Obviously the Canadian Prime Minister is relying upon world common sense to replace the mischievous practices of the past—to which, of course, Canada has been a party. The simplicity of this outlook is at least part of the answer to the fears of Field Marshal Smuts and Viscount Halifax.

DOWN TO BRASS TACKS

CANADIANS IN GENERAL WILL heartily applaud the King government's intention to create three new departments to deal with some of the Dominion's major postwar plans and problems. One is to be a department of veterans' affairs to attend to the rehabilitation and re-establishment of members of the armed forces, and the administration of veterans' pensions and allowances. A second will confine itself to reconstruction and promote and co-ordinate planning for national development and post-war employment. And the third will be concerned with social welfare and organize and assist in administering the activities of the federal government in the fields of health and social insurance.

Inherent in the foregoing is the promise of practical performance. It represents the forward-looking lead which the country had expected. That the problems to be faced and solved will be complex and numerous can be taken for granted. One has only to cast his mind back to the aftermath of the first Great War to realize something of the nature of the task with which the government will be confronted. It is getting more than a mild taste of it already; and its delicacy and difficulty are assuming a pattern which will demand both courage in attack and elasticity in administrative policy if much heart-burning and disappointment are to be avoided. Nor should we expect, with all the good intentions in the world and with every conceivable legislative measure, that a formula calculated to anticipate every contingency will be discovered. The enormity of the problem in all its ramifications, however, obviously will lose many of its departmental terrors under the three-fold system which the Speech proposes.

Fortunately for the nation as a whole and for those various branches of the public service involved—both new and old—the information now in possession of the government should be readily convertible into practical policies. How to finance various schemes intended to form part of the general postwar program in all its aspects naturally will be a subject of debate in Parliament. But, expectant Canadians are fully conversant with the comparative ease with which millions of dollars are found for war; they are ready for a similar procedure commensurate with the requirements of the peace.

100,000 HOUSES A YEAR

THE EXTENT TO WHICH CANADA'S housing shortage is to be made good after the war is indicated in Canadian Welfare by George S. Mooney, one of the government's authorities on housing. He estimates that with 25 per cent of our existing houses obsolete, some 250,000 new ones will be required to rehouse the lowest income group, and 100,000 more to supply the demands of the middle income class. To provide for population expansion, he estimates these groups will need 150,000 additional houses over a five-year period. This would mean a total of 500,000 new houses built in Canada at the rate of 100,000 a year for five years.

Mr. Mooney places the cost of the whole program at \$1,700,000,000. On the basis of the James Reconstruction Committee's calculations that every \$400,000,000 spent on housing provides employment for 223,000 men for a year, a program of the dimensions outlined by Mr. Mooney would take care of a good deal of any unemployment problem that might threaten at the end of the war. Besides the jobs directly created in the building field, there would be the indirect stimulus to employment on every side because of the huge wage distribution. Beyond considerations of employment, there is the fact that good housing constitutes one of the best investments, economically and socially, a government can make. On past records, national housing loans are nearly all repaid. Where there is any difficulty, the government is protected by the soundest security. But of greater importance is the fact that any improvement in living conditions, such as produced by better housing, repays the nation over and over in terms of a healthier, happier and more efficient people.

'RATS' IN THE CORNER, TOO

ON THE BASIS OF A RECENT INVESTIGATION of slums, delinquency and disease in the United States capital, the Herr Doktor Goebbels' propaganda broadcasters are telling the people of the Third Reich that "Washington was once considered a beautiful city. Under war conditions, however, it is deteriorating, physically and spiritually." Much play is made by the Berlin chattering on the prevalence of mud, boys playing in the alleys, while the description of rats "in the best houses" is something that is intended to make the people of the German capital shiver.

News of such deplorable conditions must give a great spiritual uplift to residents of Berlin, whose city, as we are reminded almost every day, seems to be undergoing a systematic deterioration. After the visit of hundreds of heavy bombers of the R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. to the capital last night, the "rats" in the "best houses" in the Wilhelmstrasse—or what is left of them—must have felt like running down to Berchtesgaden to enjoy the safety and comparative solitude of the Fuehrer's funkhole in the Bavarian Alps.

NOTES

Turning in your Victory Bonds is the worst kind of capital punishment.

Rule for judging patriots on the home front: If it costs him something, it is patriotism; if it pays him a profit, it isn't.

Maybe it isn't significant, but the orangutan, found only in Borneo and Sumatra, is the only one born with the slant eyes of the Oriental.

Loose Ends

A DIFFERENT GARDEN THIS YEAR

I WAS CLEANING out that hall closet the other day, and what should I discover, between a tennis racket and the carpet sweeper, but a package of carrot seeds and two packages of bean seeds.

The carrot seeds were "goldendrops" and the bean seeds were "Kentucky wonders" and what a world of memories those names brought back of another year and another season, when I was a victory gardener. I sat me down with the three packages of seeds and let my mind drift back to those days last spring when I, along with others in the neighborhood, went so bravely forth, armed with rakes and hoes to renew man's kinship with the soil and to feel again the thrill which can come only from nurturing mother earth and making things grow therefrom. No to mention, of course, helping to win the war.

THERE WAS SOMETHING beautifully brave about it all, the way we put on our oldest slacks and sneakers and our frayed sports shirts and old felt hats and with our tools over our shoulders went picturesquely out to meet nature on a hand-to-hand basis. We held a meeting first, of course, and decided the thing to do was acquire a large vacant lot in the neighborhood. The lot was several thousand feet square—or grew to be—but so enthusiastic were we that there was some discussion as to whether it would prove large enough. As it turned out, it was.

We talked with a knowing air about soil content and vitamins and discussed at length the advisability of planting this, or that, and the possible advantages, if any, of the delectable bean over the scarlet runner.

AS WE TALKED each of us was building a glowing picture in his mind of the pleasure he was going to have in coming home from work in the evening—later in the summer, of course—and saying to the little woman, "Well, what vegetables shall I go and pluck from our richly-laden vines and plants this evening?" Or words to that effect.

We all agreed there are qualities to be found in a vegetable which one grows oneself that aren't to be found in the ordinary vegetable. We all seemed to recall that the vegetables which came from our backyard gardens when we were boys down in the country had a flavor and succulence and vitamin content that you just don't find in vegetables any more—unless, of course, you get out and grow them yourself.

AND THEN THERE was the economic aspect of the thing to consider. The more we talked about it the more amazed we became that we had, for so many years, allowed ourselves to become slaves to the truck gardeners and the greengrocers. When we could just as well have been raising all that stuff ourselves. Not only save a lot of money, but look at the splendid exercise you get. Man gets along our age, he needs that kind of exercise and fresh air. We decided we had been blind and stupid, but agreed that things were going to be a lot different from now on.

Jones—I think it was Jones—pointed out how much land had been going to waste under our very noses. You don't see that in the old country, he said. Over there they utilize every foot of ground to make things grow. He had just been reading an article on the subject, he said, and it had certainly opened his eyes.

Several of us recalled having read similar articles and we agreed with Jones. Canadians are very prodigal with their land, and it was as much our fault as anyone's.

And the sad part of it all, said Smith, is that it took a war to make us realize it. We all nodded sagely and mixed ourselves another drink.

On the street car each morning the talk was of such things as ponderosa tomatoes and speckled butter beans; and at night we would return with new tools, seeds and bits of gardening lore picked up during the day. At first, that was.

As time passed a sort of change began to make itself felt. There was less enthusiasm in the talk and several, I noticed, seemed anxious to change the subject whenever gardening arose. As for me, I planted some radishes and some lettuce. Quite a lot of them, in fact, and I went back a time or two to see how they were getting along.

BUT AS TIME PASSED I began to find it increasingly hard to get away from the office in time to work in the garden. I suggested to my wife that she might enjoy the exercise and fresh air which the garden afforded—I had noticed other women there working around in slacks and seeming to enjoy it. She just gave me a strange look and went on reading her magazine.

I finally had to admit to myself that I was much too busy a man to operate a victory garden, and as much as I hated to, I would just have to give it up. It was about this same time that I started taking the bus instead of a street car. The bus didn't go by the garden.

I OFTEN THOUGHT I would go back, just out of curiosity, and see whatever became of those radishes and that lettuce. They must have reached tremendous proportions. But I never seemed to get around to it.

However, that was last year. It will soon be spring again and a new season. I can hardly wait to feel again the earth beneath my feet and smell the odor of freshly-turned ground. I have the carrot and bean seeds to start with and—well, things are going to be a lot different this year. A man's foolish to go on buying vegetables when he can grow them himself.

TORPEDOING A CASINO

From London Times

Lieut. J. R. Drummond, D.S.C., a 25-year-old submarine commander, was the man who recently "broke the bank at Monte Carlo" with a torpedo. It was learned in London. He was patrolling along the French Riviera when he sank an enemy vessel. Next day he sighted another ship close inshore and blew her to pieces. But two of his torpedoes missed and ran up the beach and exploded under the Monte Carlo casino.

Almost every time we try to cook up an excuse we get burned.

Every Friday Amateur Gardener

By E. L. F.

BROAD BEANS, sown last fall, are coming along splendidly. They look healthy and are going to keep on doing well if you help them a bit. If there are gaps in the rows, fill these up by transplanting from a more crowded spot, or by planting two inches deep in each vacant spot a seed of the variety you originally used. Hoe between the rows, then lightly dust the plants and the soil immediately around them with powdered agricultural lime to discourage leaf-eating pests. A half-ounce dressing of superphosphate of lime to a yard row, stirred in when you are hoeing, will help the roots and firm the growth, enabling the plants to better resist a cold snap, should we have one. When your broad bean plants are four inches high, draw a little finely-broken earth to each side of them. This earthing up helps the formation of surface roots and gives the plants a grand lift into spring.

PLANTING BROAD BEANS

You didn't get your broad beans in last fall? In that case, we suggest you make every effort to get them in before the middle of February. They are the hardiest and earliest of the pod-bearing vegetables and you'll want them on the table before the early peas. Furthermore, broad beans are very susceptible to attack by black fly, which usually appears at the end of June. Plants from seed sown now are well into pod at that time. The fly will be easier to control and the crop will not suffer.

There is no need to beat about the bush as far as soil preparation goes. Broad beans are deep rooters and will appreciate the best you can do for them. For each row, work a trench two feet wide and one foot deep, being sure to keep the top soil in its original position. At the bottom of the trench work in your manure or garden compost—about a peckful to a yard run. Then, with each yard of top soil mix three ounces of bone meal, to help the pods fill out. Break down the lumps finely, fill in fairly firm, and then whiten the surface with powdered agricultural lime, which is always a great help to broad beans. If your soil is heavy, sow the seed two inches deep—if light, three inches. In both cases, make the drills nine inches wide. An easy way is to take these rows out with a good wide hoe. Lay the seeds on their sides—that is, flat—in a double row, spacing them alternately, six inches apart. Then fill up gradually and firmly with soil raked specially fine.

EXPERT WAY

The specialist has another way of sowing bean seed—and, if you have plenty of time, you might like to try it. Cut up some two-inch square pieces of good fibrous turf. Turn the sod upside down and scoop out of each piece, a hole big enough to hold one broad bean seed, then fill up the hole again with the pieces you took out. Space these blocks of turf alternately, six inches apart in flat-bottomed, generously manured nine-inch wide drills, two inches deep in heavy soil and three inches in light. This sod has a quantity of good plant food in which helps in giving quicker and more vigorous growth.

By whichever method you sow, as soon as the seedlings are one inch high, stir in alongside them, without actually touching the foliage, a dose of sulphate of ammonia at the rate of one ounce a yard of row. As nobody can guarantee every seed will grow, it is wise to plant a few extra seeds in a reserve border, to provide plants for gap filling.

THIS WAR—FOUR YEARS AGO

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From Winnipeg Free Press

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The trouble folk are having with the tops in their milk bottles was regarded by ourselves as much too trivial to receive attention. We thought—wondering whether the coal in the bin would last out till the New Year comes in. But it turns out not to be any mere local nuisance. It sends a sob echoing across these far-flung prairies; and for all we know, it may be skinning men of their culture in the east.

A man in Calgary was forced by his family to try opening a milk bottle top in turn with hairpins, can openers, nails, files, scissors and magnetic rays, but in the end resorted to his own devices. He got his penknife, saying he should have used it from the start. The milk in the bottle cascaded as the knife was plunged into the cap. It took the family 20 minutes to mop up the head of the suite, and then they had to calm him down before he changed into his other suit.

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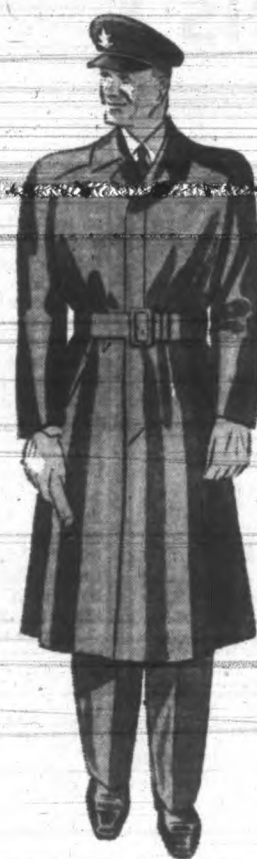
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A prominent British woman recently had the idea of forming a "Canadian Wives and Sweethearts Club" in her own community. Before she had her project half started, she awoke to the fact that a couple of thousand girls from the county had married Canadian servicemen. She then realized that her house, or even the town hall, would be hardly large enough for such a venture.

When the war is won, many Canadian families will welcome a British sister or daughter-in-law into the family circle, and will try to help her settle into Canadian ways of living. Canadian authorities in England realized some time ago that the 16,000 or so war brides knew little of the sort of life that they will have to lead when they follow their soldier husbands back to the Dominion.

To make the adjustment to life in Canada easier, special courses designed to acquaint war-brides with the country of their adoption are being sponsored by various individuals and organizations. The Canadian Legion, I.O.D.E. and other organizations have been holding lectures for these young war brides.

Groups of wives, from all over Britain, are put up at one of the Canadian Legion clubs and are provided with free accommodation and meals for a week-long course on Canada, its background and customs.

The war brides learn everything about Canada, from the history of the country to the latest news of the war. They are given demonstrations of Canadian cooking. Sometimes members of the CWBs who have lived in the various provinces help out. The CWBs have told them frankly that life will be tougher for them than they have been used to, especially if they are going to live on a farm.

At the same time, other British wives have found ways of acquainting themselves with Canadian customs. Many have joined the Women's Division of the Royal Canadian Air Force and are being trained to help staff new R.C.A.F. stations in Britain.

As the wife of one young Canadian serviceman said, after taking one of the courses, "I am looking forward to going to Canada with my husband, but the lectures have made me even more impatient and anxious to be on my way."

It is hoped that many more wives of Canadian servicemen in Britain will have the opportunity of attending these courses before they sail for their new homes.

A.Y.P.A. News

Christ Church Cathedral—Rev. W. E. Askew opened the meeting with prayers and Miss Irene Webb presided. Telephone socials were discussed and Miss Webb outlined plans of the local council for Lenten lectures to be held Sunday afternoons. There will be no badminton this Friday. Miss Margaret Harness asked all members to bring baby pictures of themselves either Sunday or Wednesday evening. The meeting closed with a talk by Dr. Henrietta Anderson. Next meeting will be Feb. 2 at 8, with "Show Night" under Group 1.

For Russia's Homeless



Homeless Russians need warm blankets and eiderdowns just as much as they do heavy clothing. Mrs. Eric Makovski, volunteer worker, examines some of the bedding donated by Victorians at Aid to Russia headquarters, 2002 Oak Bay Avenue.

Club Calendar

St. Matthew's Guild, Langford, Wednesday, 2 home of Miss L. M. A. Savory.

Little Flower Missionary Circle card party this evening, 8, parish hall.

St. Martin's-in-the-Fields W.A., Tuesday, home of Mrs. S. Wilson, 856 Cowper Avenue.

Y.P.S. Activities

Douglas Street—Devotional at the last meeting was taken by Helen McKinnon. The evening was spent soap carving. Next meeting at the church at 6 and proceed downtown for supper. Later in the evening they will pay a visit to the Sidney Roofing and Paper Co.

Metropolitan—A conference night program was held in keeping with the other unions in the province. The meeting opened with a worship service under the direction of Miss Grace Adams.

New members and guests welcomed were Miss Anne Thompson, Miss Ruth Sibley, Doug. Wesley and Bill French, R.C.A.F., and Jeff. Davis and Harry Cox, R.A.F.—Dick Burkmar, a former member, who is home on leave, visited the union. Dr. A. E. Whitehouse conducted the installation service for the newly-elected executive. A quiz relating to young people's work was taken by Miss Adams. Clifford Bratstone led a sing-song. Bowling will be held Friday at 7 at the Arcade Alleys. Mrs. W. H. Gibson will speak on missionary work at Bella Bella at the meeting Tuesday at 8 at the church.

QU'ALEX CLUB

Plans were discussed at the last meeting of the Qu'Alex Club for a "twilight tea" using a St. Patrick's Day motif, to be held March 8, at the home of Mrs. L. Marriott, 453 Arnold Avenue. Mrs. Marriott presided. It was decided to have a homecoming stall at the next meeting. Election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. M. Smith; vice-president, Miss Ethelwyn Malcolm; secretary, Mrs. C. Payne; treasurer, Miss Hilda Jacques; press, Mrs. M. Marsh; telephone, Mrs. C. Yeamans; sick committee, Mrs. L. Marriott. The "mystery box" was won by Mrs. C. Yeamans. Next meeting will be at the home of Miss E. Malcolm, 366 Richmond Avenue, Feb. 22.

LANGFORD W.I.

Mrs. P. N. Welch was elected president at the annual meeting of Langford Women's Institute with Mrs. Thomas Millward re-elected secretary-treasurer. Directors are Mesdames C. Rezac, E. Jeffrey, J. D. Pearson and G. Thompson. Mrs. J. Haydon and Mrs. W. J. Cave were appointed conveners of quilting bees to be held every two weeks. Delegates to attend the Local Council conference are Mesdames Welch, R. J. Smith, Jeffery, and Miss L. M. A. Savory. Mrs. V. Franklin, retiring president, and Mrs. T. Millward received gifts. A court whist party Feb. 19 will be convened by Mrs. R. Crocker, Mrs. Pearson and Mrs. Thompson. A card party will be held Feb. 5 at the home of Mrs. Millward, Langford Lake. Mrs. Jeffery reported on the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

L. M. Metcalfe Dies

WINNIPEG (CP)—L. M. Metcalfe, 65, prominent local grain merchant, died here Thursday. Born in Montreal, he came to Winnipeg 43 years ago. He is survived by a brother, F. W. Metcalfe of Vancouver.

Ration Coupons

Rations coupons valid on Saturday are: Tea or coffee, Nos. 14 to 28; sugar, Nos. 14 to 24; preserves, Nos. D1 to D11; butter, Nos. 42 to 47, and meat, Nos. 30 to 36. One meat coupon now equals a quarter-pound can of salmon. Butter coupons, Nos. 42 to 43, and meat coupons, Nos. 30 to 34, expire Jan. 31.

Personal Notes

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Willis are here for a few days from Trill.

A party of four holidaying in Victoria from Olympia include Mr. and Mrs. Le Roy Willard, and Sgt. and Mrs. M. Dolson.

Sgt. and Mrs. Aaron Turner, Sgt. and Mrs. G. R. Fisher, and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mitchell, all of Seattle are guests at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. J. E. Rezac, Trans-Canada Airlines official, has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Rezac, Island Highway, and his brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson, Dunford Road.

Mrs. Frank Pimm of Cecilia Street has returned after spending the past three weeks at Woodlands, Man., where she visited her sister, Mrs. H. J. Procter, who has been seriously ill.

Mr. J. A. Humbird, vice-president of the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company, Chemunus, is visiting his father, Mr. T. J. Humbird, at San Point, Wash.

Miss Lillian McKenna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. McKenna, Rossland, has entered the nursing profession at St. Joseph's Hospital. Miss McKenna is the niece of Mrs. Charlotte Seymour, Linden Avenue.

Vancouver visitors at the Empress Hotel are Mr. and Mrs. G. Sheehan, Miss E. Dixon, Mrs. S. Jones, Lieut. and Mrs. J. E. Brenner, Mr. and Mrs. L. Hayes, Miss Mary Wilson, Lieut. L. A. Allan and Mrs. A. Greenberg.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Watson entertained Wednesday evening at 10, at their home, 1940 Waterloo Road, to honor Miss Margaret Fenton, who is visiting her aunt, Mrs. P. C. Black and will leave shortly for her home in Sumnerland, B.C. The guests included Mesdames Dempster, P. C. Black, D. Smith, Carter Sr., Carter Jr., B. Underwood.

Among American guests at the Empress Hotel are Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Mandell, Port Warden, Wash., Mrs. J. T. Stocksdale, New York; Mr. and Mrs. A. V. McNeal, Wenatchee; Sgt. and Mrs. J. Erickson, Tacoma; and Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lewis, Long Prairie, Minn.

Two hundred persons were entertained Thursday evening in the Crystal Garden at a dance given by the Air Officer Commanding and personnel of No. 2 Group Headquarters, Western Air Command dance orchestra, under the baton of Flt. Sgt. J. McCall, R.C.A.F., came from Vancouver for the occasion, and those in charge of arrangements were Sqdn. Ldr. Howard Cotterell, F.O. A. W. Ward, SO. M. M. Gardner, Cpl. C. Greene and Cpl. Doris Grinstead.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gordon of Kamloops are visiting in the city for a few days.

Wren Connie Lindner, who is stationed at St. Hyacinthe, Que., is spending leave at home in Victoria.

Miss Jean Simms, whose marriage will take place next month, was guest at a miscellaneous shower, when Mrs. W. Simms and Mrs. G. W. Durrant were joint hostesses. Those present included Mesdames B. Simms, E. Edmunds, A. Almond, H. Allison, G. Almond, A. Rowa, G. F. Durrant, A. Corry, J. Almond, T. Bryant Jr., A. Farey, A. Kitley, D. Drane, E. Jury, V. Simms, R. Simms, and Misses Georgina Simms, Ruth, Maude and Betty Almond, Gladys Drane, Sylvia Bryant, Elly Jacobson and Violet Bryant.

Miss Gladys B. Irving, 1001 Terrace Avenue, entertained at the tea hour this afternoon to honor Miss Eleanor Heisterman, much-feted bride-elect. Her guests included Mesdames B. S. Heisterman, P. D. Sills, C. J. Rankin, C. Burke, R. Sketch, J. Hewitt, Alan Chambers, E. Beardsmore, R. B. Wilson, Nelson Lay, J. G. Austin, L. Knop, R. Roy, Stanley Haynes, C. W. Stanbury, S. Wheelock, J. D. Munro, R. Watie, G. Kamoss, and the Misses Diane and Daphne Ker, Peggy Sills, Mary Campbell and Laura Magrath.

Mrs. J. Webster and her daughter, Miss Helen Webster, entertained at their home on Garbally Road Thursday evening with a miscellaneous shower to honor Miss Marguerite Dirom, February bride-elect. Those present were Mesdames J. Dirom, W. Somerville, A. Watson, G. Dakers, A. Houston, B. Cairne, G. Lindsay, D. Balfour, J. Miller, P. Stronach, J. Boyd, Lindley, T. Wallace, J. Jamieson, W. Rose, W. Elliott, J. Ewing, G. Evans and the Misses Kathleen Dirom, Ella Houston, Edna Wallace, Georgina McKay and Sadie Jamieson.

Miss Joan Duncan entertained Thursday evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Duncan, Wellington Avenue, to honor Mrs. E. L. Wurtele, wife of Group Capt. Wurtele, R.A.F., who will leave Saturday for Montreal, where she will be the guest of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. H. Wurtele, Westmount, Que., prior to her departure for England. Miss Rosemary Williams presided at the supper table and other guests included Mesdames G. S. Coventon, R. Stark, D. Brindson, Ian McDonald, S. P. Wheelock, R. O'Callaghan, and Misses Edlin d'Easun, Vivienne King, Betty Russell, Daphne Nunn, Cynthia Yarrow, Betty MacMurray and Maisie Speck.

Mrs. Clara Lee of Shanghai, who was interned by the Japanese and returned to Canada on the exchange ship Grifsholm, will speak on China at a special missionary service to be held Sunday evening at 7.30 in North Douglas Tabernacle.



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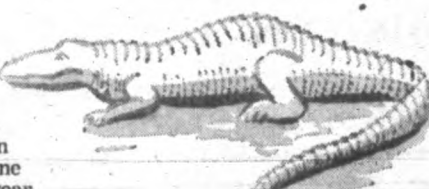


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High School Students Hear Garrison Band

"Indian Love Call" was one of the pieces played by the Garrison Band Thursday at a Victoria High School noon hour concert. The band was under the direction of Bandmaster Bower, who also announced the numbers. The concert got off to a fine start with the march, "Take Post," arranged by Bandmaster Gary Hughes. "Oh! What a Beautiful Morning" was also arranged by Bandmaster Hughes, and was well received by the students. The "Witch's Dance" featured a cornet player, playing in triple time. Mendelssohn's "Fingals Cave" was followed by "Midsummer Wedding," with the different parts of the orchestra characterizing the participants in the story. The groom was the trombone; the bride, the piccolo, and the parson, the saxophone. This was quite humorous. Proceeds of the concert went to the Army Cadet Corps.

New Labor Chairman

LONDON (CP) — Miss Ellen Wilkinson, member of the House of Commons for Durham, has been elected chairman of the Labor Party, the third woman ever chosen for that post.

New Manager at 'The Bay' Honored

Clare N. Chubb, who assumes the position of manager of the Victoria store of the Hudson's Bay Company, was singularly honored on the occasion marking his 15th anniversary of joining the company, at an informal gathering in the Empress Hotel, Tuesday evening.

C. S. Riley, of Winnipeg, chairman of the Canadian committee of the Hudson's Bay Company, presented him with his 15-year long service medal and a cash award. P. A. Chester, member of the Canadian committee and general manager for Canada, F. F. Martin, general manager retail stores department, and other store officials attended the ceremony.

Mr. Chubb, who has been manager of the Edmonton store during the past three years, has been in the city the past week attending the store managers' conference and renewing acquaintances. He will shortly be joined by Mrs. Chubb and their daughter, Mrs. Marjorie McKenzie. Their son, AC2 Ted Chubb, is a student at No. 1 Wireless School, R.C.A.F., Montreal.

While in Edmonton, Mr. Chubb was chairman of the retail division of the Chamber of Commerce, director of the Rotary Club, member of the Provincial Council of the Canadian Red Cross Society, director of the Community Chest, and an active member of the



CLARE N. CHUBB

Robertson United Church and the Masonic Order. Mrs. Chubb has taken an active interest in relief and community work.

Mr. Chubb first joined the company as a buyer in the Edmonton store, later going to the Winnipeg and Vancouver stores. He was then promoted as merchandise executive to the Calgary store, a position he held until 1937, when he was appointed manager of the company's Saskatoon store.

In 1941, he took charge of the newly-erected Edmonton store, remaining there as manager until his present appointment.

Albert Sullivan Honored By Staff

Albert Sullivan, who retired at the end of the year as the Department of Education's chief inspector of high schools, was the department's internal staff Thursday afternoon.

Hon. H. G. T. Perry, Minister of Education, presided at the gathering at his office in the Parliament Buildings.

"Our object is to express to

you in some modest way our good will and affection for you," said Mr. Perry. "You have had a long record of service and have earned the good will, not only of the staff, but also of the classes you have inspected and the teachers, who have received from you instruction, guidance and advice."

The staff presented Mr. Sullivan with a gold-framed oil painting of a scene in the Trossachs of Scotland, and to Mrs. Sullivan, who was unable to be present because of sickness, but was represented by her daughter, Miss Margaret Sullivan. Miss Gladys Cruickshank, on behalf of the staff, presented a silver entree dish.

Mr. Sullivan, in thanking the staff, recalled many happy days he had spent in the service of the department. He recalled the times when he carried out his inspection duties in an undeveloped country, traveling by horse and buggy. When he first started there were only four high schools, no normal schools, no university. He told of trips he had taken to Europe and New Zealand.

Dr. S. J. Willis, superintendent of education, also spoke a few words. Members of the staff personally wished Mr. Sullivan much happiness in his retirement.

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So I am now unmarried, with good health and a good job. I have no plan for the future. I do not care for my work, but perhaps it would be foolish to change now. What can I do so that 30 years from now I can feel that it was worthwhile to have lived? I am not a hard-boiled bachelor girl, and I don't want to be a timorous old maid. Can you tell me?

Answer: I doubt if anyone, except those who are lucky enough to have been endowed by Nature with a complete and inexhaustible supply of self-confidence, can ever look back upon his or her past life and feel that it has been any howling success. The more modest of us see so many mistakes that we have made; we blush for so many foolish and stupid things we have done, and we realize how far we have fallen short of accomplishing all the great things that we were sure we would do before we were middle-aged. And if we are honest, we know that we are not really necessary to anyone else. We are expendable.

Yours, dear lady, is just the common lot of the unmarried woman. Looking back over your 40 years you would find plenty to regret and not much to cheer over, and when you cast an eye into the future that wouldn't look so good to you, either. And there is nothing you could do about it. It is just life.

It seems to me that you are making the mistake that practically all unmarried women make, and that is to think that you would have been supremely happy and contented if you had married, and that a woman's life is a failure unless she has a husband and children. Yet why women should cherish this illusion in the face of the evidence to the contrary, afforded by the experiences of their sisters and their cousins and their aunts, must forever remain one of the eternal mysteries of feminine psychology.

Dominion Status For India Plea

Action on the problem of India while there is the common ground of understanding of the war was the keynote of a speech on "Canada and India Today" by Darshan Singh Sangha, born in the Punjab, at a luncheon meeting of the Lions Club of Victoria in Spencer's Thursday.

Sangha, born in India in 1918, coming to Canada in 1937 where he attended the University of B.C., pleaded the cause of India on the grounds that now, when that densely populated country has a common cause with the British Isles, is the time to reach some understanding of and offer some solution for the ever-present problem of that Eastern continent.

India, he said, is contributing much to the war effort but not as much as she is capable of doing, due to the fact that the common people do not feel that it is so much their war as the war of the men who own and rule the country. In this way, and in this frame of mind, said Sangha, Burma fell, and Singapore fell, simply because the people had not had freedom and, thus, did not fight as bitterly for their homes as have other enemy-occupied countries.

Denying the claims that India's religious groups can not get along, he suggested, for India, a status in the British Commonwealth similar to that which Canada and the other Dominions hold.

The huge population of India means, he stated that India is bound, at some time, to become a major power in the world, and if she is on an equal status with other British countries, she may offer them many benefits, on the basis of co-operation.

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Navy Wallops Army By Five Big Goals

Meet St. Regis In League Tilt Here Tonight

Navy hockey team will play its second game in as many nights against Vancouver St. Regis in a regular Coast League fixture at the Willows Arena tonight, starting at 8.30.

Bluejackets returned from the mainland today following their smashing 6 to 1 triumph over Nanaimo Army in an exhibition clash at Vancouver last night.

Victory for the stars tonight will move them into undisputed possession of first place in the standings.

In uniform for St. Regis tonight will be Connie King, former playing coach of the V.M.D. team. It is expected that Bert Yessow, another former V.M.D. forward, will also be out on the ice with the hotelmen.

Hockey Standings

N.H.L.					Goals				
	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.			
Canadians	22	3	6	140	67	50			
Toronto	16	15	3	149	128	35			
Detroit	14	11	5	122	110	33			
Boston	13	15	4	149	163	30			
Chicago	13	16	1	114	126	27			
Rangers	6	24	1	107	187	13			

COAST LEAGUE					Goals				
	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.			
C.P.A.L.	2	0	0	11	5	4			
Navy	2	0	0	15	5	4			
St. Regis	0	3	0	6	19	0			

11TH STRAIGHT WIN

SASKATOON (CP)—Saskatoon H.M.C.S. Unicorn won their 11th straight victory in the Saskatchewan Senior Hockey League Thursday night, easily turning aside Moose Jaw Vics 11 to 2.

In each of his last three games, Other Navy marksmen were Percy Hulme, Joe McArthur and Bernie Strongman.

The only army goal was fired by Pinky Melnyk after he grabbed a pass from Dave MacKay.

It was the first game of a sort of "commando training" grind for the sailors. Navy plays Vancouver St. Regis at Victoria tonight, and meets Lodestars at New Westminster Saturday night.

This schedule involves three tough games and three ferry rides between the island and mainland, all within 50 hours.

SUMMARY

First period—1, Navy, Strongman (McKay), 2:35; 2, Navy, Brown (McArthur), 12:39. Penalty—Brown (McArthur), 5:02; 4, Navy, McArthur, 18:06. Penalty: Hulme (McArthur), 1:45; 6, Army, Melnyk (MacKay), 5:15; 7, Navy, Brown (McArthur), 10:05. Penalty: None.

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Combines Appear Here Tomorrow Against R.C.A.F.

Vancouver Combines will make their first appearance in the Inter-city Basketball League tomorrow night, when they stack up against the Canadian champion R.C.A.F. Gremlins at the High School gym, starting at 9. In a preliminary clash at 7.30 Red Hots will battle the Royals.

Combination of former members of Stacey's and Shores, the Combines present a formidable line-up featuring George McConnell, one of the smartest forwards in senior men's basketball in the country. Last week-end Gremlins defeated the Combines 60 to 49 with McConnell contributing 16 points for the mainlanders.

Two other sharpshooters coming with the visitors are McDonagh and Anderson.

Flyers will take the floor with all their regulars on deck including the dynamic Norm Baker, Porky Andrews, Bobby Phelan, Ian McKeachie, Ralph Pay and Irwin Stout.

Over on the mainland tomorrow night the Army club will tackle Lauries in another league encounter.

NICOL CASE

VANCOUVER (CP)—Ritchie Nicol was reinstated by the B.C. Basketball Association Thursday morning and by evening was back in the hoop doghouse again.

Nicol was refused permission by the Inter-city League to play for Lauries against Varsity last night, and his registration application was held up.

League members passed a resolution that the Nicol case be returned to the B.C.B.A. for further discussion in view of the fact that Nicol is a professional player.

Thursday morning, B.C. prexy, Joe Polley, stated that while the case might be reviewed at a special meeting Monday night, it was improbable action would be taken.

"Nicol is clean as far as the B.C. body is concerned," said Polley. "He can play for the South African Gazelles if he wants to. We reinstated him without restrictions."

However, he pointed out, if Inter-city League moguls refuse him permission to play with one of the clubs, the party is in their hands. The B.C.B.A. wants no more of the Nicol case.

Lauries were completely lost against Varsity, losing 39 to 22.

Red Deer Wheelers Take Hockey Lead

RED DEER, Alta. (CP)—Red Deer Army Wheelers took over undisputed first place in the Alberta Garrison Hockey League Thursday night with a well-earned 7 to 2 triumph over Calgary Currie Barracks. The contest was marked by the first penalty shot of the league this season.

The Wheelers, smarting under a 3 to 1 defeat by Currie at Calgary last Saturday, made no mistake this time. They led 3 to 0 at the end of the first period, 4 to 1 at the end of the second and outscored the visitors 3 to 1 in the last session.

The game was fast and clean throughout. Wheelers' passing was accurate and allowed them to get in close for most of their goals. Jim Henry, 23-year-old native of Winnipeg performed in major-league style in the Wheeler nets.

Jack Forsey and Eddie O'Keefe paced the Wheeler attack with two goals each. The penalty shot, scored by George Farrgetter, came in the third period when the winger was tripped as he sifted through the Currie defence. Wheelers' other goals were scored by Mac Colville and Bud Emery.

Max Bentley and Kenny Stewart netted for Currie.

Jack Rules Choice To Defeat Angott

NEW YORK (AP)—Sammy Angott and Beau Jack entertain the folks in Madison Square Garden tonight in a 10-round bout.

Although both are world lightweight champions—Jack is recognized as head man of the 135 pounders in New York and Pennsylvania and Angott has the National Boxing Association blessing as boss—it will be a non-title affair.

Angott hasn't been beaten since he started his comeback from his "temporary permanent" retirement last spring.

The gambling gentlemen have installed the little Georgia negro as a 5 to 7 favorite over Sammy.

The New York commission, which sanctioned this one as a non-title tilt, is going to try to take steps to straighten the thing out after today's weigh-in.

Tokle Now Pitching



Ski jumping champ, Sgt. Torger Tokle, pitches snow on Cubs' infield, Wrigley Field, Chicago, in preparation for soft landing in Norge S. C. invitation tournament ending Jan. 30. Tokle will try to break his United States record of 289 feet.

Major Hockey

Canadiens, Leafs Tie

Perhaps it all depends on the point of view, but it still seems strange that Canadiens should lose caste because Toronto Maple Leafs gained a 2 to 2 tie on Montreal ice last night.

Well, maybe it's the old "halo" complex. Canadiens have conditioned their camp followers for resounding victories. They haven't lost in 17 games on their own ice surface and the only three they didn't win resulted in 2 to 2 deadlocks—vs. Leafs last night, Detroit, Jan. 24, and Boston, Jan. 25.

This immunity before the home folks—there were a record-shattering 12,876 who paid admissions, plus a couple of thousand servicemen who didn't seem in jeopardy last night when the Habitués entered the final period trailing 2 to 1. Elmer Lach had offset Babe Pratt's first period goal, but Lorne Carr had given the Leafs the lead again early in the second period on a solo sprint. Finally, Buddy O'Connor rifled a 30-foot drive past Bibeault four minutes after the third period started to save the situation for Montreal.

In the only other National Hockey League game last night, Chicago Black Hawks partially lived up to their newly-acquired glamour by trouncing New York Rangers 6 to 4 before 10,166 home spectators. Recently strengthened by addition of goal-keeper Mike Karakas and defenceman Art Wiebe, plus the return of a couple of ailing hands, the Hawks clinched the issue with third period goals by Bill Mosienko and George Allen.

The results didn't disturb the standings. Canadiens remained 15 points in front of the second-place Leafs, while the Hawks succeeded in closing to within a game and a half of the fourth-place Boston Bruins.

Summaries follow:

CANADIENS-TORONTO
First Period—1, Toronto, Pratt (Carr, Bodnar), 6:11. Penalties—Kennedy, Watson, Chamberlain, Ingoldsbey.
Second Period—2, Montreal, Lach (McFadden, O'Connor), 5:25; 3, Toronto, Carr (unassisted), 6:34. Penalties—Webster (2), Watson.
Third Period—4, Montreal, O'Connor, 4:30. Penalties—Chamberlain (major), Hamilton.

CHICAGO-RANGERS
First Period—1, Chicago, Dahlstrom (Allen, March), 1:38; 2, Chicago, Smith (Bentley, Mosienko), 14:51. Penalties—None.
Second Period—3, Chicago, Bentley (Selbert, Smith), 4:10; 4, New York, Boucher (Hextall), 5:33; 5, New York, Hextall (Hiller, Heller), 6:27. Penalties—Selbert.
Third Period—6, Chicago, Bentley (Mosienko, Smith), 2:12; 7, New York, Demarco (Boucher, McDonald), 5:57; 8, New York, Gauthier (Boucher), 6:26; 9, Ch. Bentley, 7:24; 10, Chicago, Allen, 8:05. Penalties—Dahlstrom, (Selbert, March), 19:36. Penalties—Bentley, Dill, B. McDonald.

V.M.D. Play Army In Soccer Fixture
Tomorrow afternoon's lone first division soccer match will see the Victoria Machinery Depot and Army battle it out at the Athletic Park, starting at 2.30.

Last week-end the shipyarders nosed out the Navy on the strength of a penalty goal. V.M.D. team will be selected from the following: Evans, Leggett, Mills, Barnswell, Slogar, Dougan, Travis, Stewart, Parks, Payne, Morgan, Perry, Reside and Lorandini.

R.A.F. second division team for Sunday follows: Moss, Cullshaw, Brodie, Strutt, Sanderson, Dunphy, Parkinson, Harvey, McAuley, Burwell and Willsea.

Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

RETURN of Ritchie Nicol to good standing in the basketball world and his announcement of intentions to play with Vancouver Lauries, has exploded a bombshell on the mainland. Seems that Vancouver Combines did a lot of the spade work towards getting Nicol reinstated and now they are plenty hot under the collar with the Victoria southpaw going over to the Pie-Rates.

Combines are charging a double-cross and are even going so far as to forecast a protest to the executive of the Inter-city League. Nate Singer, manager of the Combines, is in possession of a letter which Nicol allegedly wrote to the basketball association requesting his reinstatement, "so that I may play with Vancouver Combines." Nicol claims his chief reason for playing with Lauries is the fact that their training schedule fits in with his army course at Varsity. Oh well, Nicol has always proven a firebrand and another flare-up will be nothing new to the Pie-Rates.

From Ken McConnell, sports scribe of the Vancouver Province, comes the suggestion that the officials of the Pacific Coast Hockey League step into harness and exert a little authority, placing the V.M.D. players where they would do the league the most good. As it is now, if they finally go to New Westminster C.P.A.L., it will be a strictly unbalanced league and that's no good for the fans or the game of hockey, McConnell states.

Although we admit it is pretty difficult to start telling amateur sportsmen that they are going to play with us, we agree it would be much better for the pint-sized coast circuit, if Messrs. Warshawski, Duffy and McIntyre were to east in their lot with St. Regis. It would make a much better hockey league and all the clubs would benefit as the games would prove that much more attractive to the fans.

As far as the players are concerned we can understand their wanting to play with C.P.A.L. We talked to Warshawski about his plans for the future and his reasons for electing to turn over his hockey wares to the airlines. "Well, Pete, they have the better hockey club and that's just why I'm going to play with them," was Frank's way of putting it. Warshawski, Duffy and McIntyre will certainly add a lot of punch to the New Westminster team and make them a serious threat to the Navy for the league championship. But we'll still string along with those Trail Smokers as the best senior amateur club in B.C. right now.

Commenting on the recent Ottawa order, ruling Pat Bay Gremlins out of the Canadian basketball playoffs, Charlie Edwards, Canadian Press scribe, writes as follows:

"The barring of the Dominou championship Patricia Bay R.A.C.F. Gremlins from the interprovincial basketball competition they race through so easily last spring presents a new problem. The Canadian Basketball Association has ruled United States service teams stationed in Edmonton will be eligible for the playoffs. It is claimed the U.S. Engineers of the Edmonton City League are outstanding challengers for the Canadian title. But it doesn't seem fair that Canadian service teams should be barred from competing for their own national title which might thus be thrust with little contest into the laps of representatives of another nation, also comprising service personnel.

"That" friends, is a problem for the C.B.A. as well as defence headquarters to consider."

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8.30

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Victoria Rugger To Battle Varsity

Victoria's Crimson Tide will be in Vancouver tomorrow for a McKechnie Cup rugby match against Varsity. The locals handed the students a crushing defeat in their first meeting here early in the season.

Line-up of the Victoria fifteen was announced today as follows: Peden (Army), fullback; Greig (Army), Cullin (Army), Rees (R.A.F.), and Chipman (Naval College), three-quarters; Wood (Naval College), five-eighths; Cocklin (Army), scrum half; Greenhaigh (R.A.F.), Gornali (Army), Woods (R.A.F.), Stevens (Army), Simpson (Army), Cockram (Naval College), Bray (Army), hook, and Van Druten (Army), forwards. Carle (Naval College), and Askew (Army), reserves.

Local rugby interest will centre around the two Intermediate League matches at Macdonald Park, Victoria College and Victoria High will meet on the upper field with Naval College and Oak Bay High holding forth on the lower ground. Kick-offs are set for 2.30.

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Betty Drewry, Air Stowaway, in City

Betty Drewry, English girl who stowed away on a bomber and came to Canada some weeks ago, is staying with Mrs. George McMicken, Shoal Harbor, Sidney. Miss Drewry declined to say how long she would be here. She announced during a stay in Edmonton last month that she proposed visiting Alaska and then

continuing on to Russia. The matter of a passport stopped Miss Drewry at Whitehorse, where she took a job washing dishes before coming here, via Skagway. Miss Drewry made headlines when she stowed away in a Liberator bomber at the English airport where she was employed.

Youth Gets One Year

Frank Pepler, also known to police as Frank Hubert, was sentenced today to one year hard labor on each of three charges of attempted indecent assault of three boys, age six years and less. The terms were made concurrent. Pepler, a juvenile, pleaded guilty to the charges in Saanich court Thursday afternoon. He was held over for sentence until this morning.

Walter H. Kempton pleaded guilty in city court today to a charge of dangerous driving at Douglas and Hillside, Jan. 23. He was fined \$35, and his license was suspended two months.

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George Rumsby, electrical superintendent, was chairman. In proposing a toast to Yarrows Ltd. and to Norman Yarrow, the chairman described how Yarrows Ltd. today, with 3,000 employees, entirely engaged on the construction of essential naval ships, represented the fulfillment of the vision of Sir Alfred Yarrow Bart. 30 years ago, when Victoria was chosen as the site for the Canadian branch of the famous shipbuilding firm.

Mr. Yarrow in replying to the toast paid tribute to the loyalty and devotion of the men with whom he had worked for the past 30 years. Reference was made to the regrettable absence of John Cameron, who retired from the position of general manager a year ago. Tribute was also paid to the general manager, E. W. Izard, who came to Canada with Mr. Yarrow and has been intimately connected with the direction and development of the firm since its establishment and who has contributed so largely to the firm's present high reputation.

Mr. Yarrow also made reference to the other guests who represented governmental departments and industrial firms, and whose relations with Yarrows are so close and so cordial.

NAVY'S THANKS
 A toast to the Royal Canadian Navy and to the guests was proposed by Captain C. W. Brown, replied to by Shipwright Cmdr. Charles Brown, O.B.E. Cmdr. Brown made particular mention of the rapid expansion of the Royal Canadian Navy since the war, the urgent need of shipbuilding facilities, and the great contribution to the country's war effort which has been made by the skilled men in established firms, such as Yarrows, in training and guiding thousands of inexperienced green hands and developing them into efficient production units.

James Scott proposed a toast to "The Foremen," and David Essler replied. Mr. Essler then proposed a toast to the "Old-timers," and Louis de Costa, diver, and rigger foreman, whose connection with Victoria and shipbuilding dates back to 1901, replied.

The guests of the foremen were: Mr. and Mrs. Norman Yarrow, Misses Cynthia and Vervan Yarrow, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Izard, Cmdr. and Mrs. Charles Brown, Lt. Cmdr. C. W. G. Brown, Lieut. P. F. Fairfull, WE J. Norris, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Epler and J. Scott, federal treasury department; S. F. Boomer and D. S. Forsyth, Lloyd's Registry; Mr. and Mrs. T. W. MacPherson, Wartime Shipbuilding Ltd.; Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Saunders and Mr. and Mrs. H. Irving, representing the Victoria Machinery Depot; Mr. and Mrs. A. Craig, Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Bailey, Capt. (E.) and Mrs. A. D. M. Curry and WS J. McLean.

Committee Failing Labor Men Informed

The Victoria Joint Shipyard Council, meeting Thursday night in the Labor Hall, heard G. Culhane, labor representative on the labor-management committee, report that committee was not functioning as it should and had become, in effect, "a labor versus management committee."

He expressed opinion labor already had its committee in the shipyard council and in the person of business agents. The issue will be further discussed by the shipyard council following receipt of information from D. J. Dobson, of the Dobson committee, regarding the authority granted labor-management committees.

The meeting decided to wire Prime Minister King, Hon. Humphrey Mitchell and R. W. Mayhew, M.P., asking withdrawal of the new Wartime Wage Control Order.

George Pyper, reporting on a Vancouver meeting, said Copper Mountain miners had sought council support in their efforts to prevent closing of mines. He also said a future meeting had been called with church groups and other organizations to discuss rehabilitation.

27,000 to Receive McMullen Letter

To 27,000 residents of Greater Victoria and district south of Shawnigan Lake there will go over the week-end this letter from President E. W. McMullen of the Royal Jubilee Hospital: "We need more hospital beds in the city of Victoria."

"The demand for hospital care has overcrowded our wards to such an extent that patients have to be placed in sunrooms and other spaces not designed nor equipped for their proper care. The hospital was built to accommodate 404 cases; it has 458 beds crowded into its wards."

"In the maternity section, particularly, the number of patients has more than doubled since 1940. More than 1,000 babies were born in the Royal Jubilee Hospital in 1943."

"Faced with this situation the directors have been compelled to undertake an addition to the hospital. The most economical and also the most efficient solution of the problem is the building of a maternity pavilion which will release space in the main building for 85 medical and surgical patients."

"This is an opportunity to pro-

vide in Victoria a modern maternity hospital conforming to the highest standards of obstetrical practice."

"Many appeals are being made at this time for worthy causes, but none is more worthy of support than the care of the sick and the provision of the best possible treatment of mothers and their newborn babies, in this community."

"The Royal Jubilee Hospital is owned by the people of Greater Victoria. Its present bed capacity cannot cope with the daily increasing demands. Improved obstetrical care has reduced maternal and infant mortality. We must continue to improve it."

"The increased load upon the hospital is an effect of war upon our community — providing for the care of the sick is part of our war effort."

"The need is great; please send your donation today. It will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Cheques should be made payable to the Royal Jubilee Hospital and marked 'Maternity Pavilion-Building Fund.' Contributions are allowed as exemptions in calculating your income tax."

With Our Servicemen



regiment in the casualty list issued today.

Pte. Arthur Charles Gibbons, who has enlisted with R.C.A. M.C., is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gibbons, Duncan. At the time of enlistment Pte. Gibbons was an electrician at V.M.D. He was born in Duncan and lived here until about four years old, then went to Sidney with his parents and received his education there. He was a member of the former Janet McKee of Hillcrest, their three sons, Raymond, Ralph and Herbert, and their daughter, Janet, live in Victoria. Pte. Gibbons has been posted to Peterborough, Ont.

P.O. George Gillespie, R.C.A.F., son of G. K. Gillespie, Lake Cowichan, has returned to his post at C.M.I. Man, after spending leave with his sister, Mrs. George Hemmingsen, Chemainus. His brother, **P.O. Malcolm Gillespie, R.C.A.F.**, recently arrived overseas. Another brother, **Ldg. Stoker Alexander Gillespie, R.C.N.V.R.**, is also serving overseas.



SGT. DONALD G. MITCHELL, 19, air gunner, has been reported missing following air operations overseas. Jan. 25, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Mitchell, were advised today.

Sgt. Mitchell was born in Victoria and attended George Jay and Central Junior High Schools. He enlisted in the Air Force in March, 1943, and graduated from No. 3 Bombing and Gunnery School at Macdonald, Alta. He arrived overseas in November, spending his 19th birthday in England.

A brother, **Gnr Ray Mitchell, R.C.A.**, is serving with the Canadian Army Overseas. Three sisters and a brother are at home.

Word has been received by Mrs. D. A. Slater, 1837 Fairfield Road, that her brother, **Sgt. Herbert Melville Paige**, who served at Esquimalt with the Canadian Army before the outbreak of war, was killed in action in Italy, Jan. 11. He was in the R.C.O.C. attached to the 1st Canadian Tank Brigade. Stationed here from 1936 until the war started, he had many friends in this city. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Paige, live at Kamloops.

Enlistments in the Canadian Army since Jan. 20 are: **Harry D. G. Jones**, 1281 Pembroke Street; **Leslie J. Mottershead**, 1015 Fairfield Road, and **William Dicks**, 2112 Oregon Street.

Norman James Walker, R.R. 4; Douglas S. McHattie, Royal Oak; **Herbert Bown**, Colquitz. Other island boys who have enlisted are: **Joseph Ronald Dalpe** and **John Henry Sorenson**, Port Alice; **Arthur Irving Gibbs**, Shawnigan Lake, and **Gordon Eugene Andrew**, Nanaimo.

The following soldiers serving here transferred to the Active Army: **William F. Schmidt**, 10th Provost Coy.; **Michael Henry Switky**, No. 1 Depot, R.C.A.S.C.; **Harry Oliver Smith**, 43rd A.A. Battery; **Winston Carl Beacock**, R.C.C.S.

Manpower Survey Nearly Completed

Survey of employment in industry for the purpose of planning and administration of Canada's manpower problem has been undertaken in Victoria with 1,730 forms mailed to employers and 1,550 completed forms returned to the Victoria office of National Selective Service, C. A. Mudge, manager, said today.

The survey was begun by the Department of Labor in order to secure comprehensive data on the distribution of employment.

There is a balance of 180 forms still to be turned in to the Victoria office. Employers who have

Re-make Display Show Use Made Of Old Garments

"She who re-makes," also serves," was the theme of this afternoon's fashion show of re-make garments, presented before a meeting of the Women's Canadian Club in the Empress Hotel ballroom. The affair was opened by Mrs. W. C. Woodward, honorary president of the club, who commented on the splendid work accomplished by the re-make program. Mrs. Woodward was introduced by Mrs. F. G. Aldous, president, and accompanied by Miss Ruth McLean.

Discarded dresses, old sweaters, father's old overcoat, worn-out blankets and out-moded suits were almost unrecognizable in the re-made costumes displayed. Majority of the work shown was accomplished by the re-make program in Victoria, under the clever direction of Miss Marjorie Gibbons, with added garments from the traveling wardrobe sent by Mrs. Kate Aitken, supervisor of the consumer branch of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

NIGHTIE FROM SHEET

A boy's dressing gown made from his father's socks re-knit from old wool and a little girl's nightie cut from a worn flannel-ette sheet featured the first group. In women's suits was noted a navy blue tailleur originating from a man's serge suit and a smart brown tweed suit made from a man's light overcoat.

Powder blue coats for a mother and daughter duo were fashioned from a blanket, and a chocolate brown dressmaker suit had been turned and finished with brown velvet collar and cuffs. One group featured attractive afternoon frock made from two old dresses.

Other costumes included a pair of trousers, white blouse and a scarlet jerkin from an old blazer, made a smart ensemble for school or sports wear.

An old rose sweater performed double duty when made into a young girl's cap, scarf, bag and mittens, and finished with maroon wool. A group of dressmaker suits was highlighted by an ensemble of tartan skirt, bag and hat to match, and beige sports jacket.

Clever touches of embroidery and matching hats and bags in many of the costumes attributed to the originality of these re-makers.

Mrs. H. S. Hurn and Mrs. H. L. Smith gave the running commentary throughout the show.

Incidental music was supplied by the Warrcliffe Trio, and 11 of Wynne Shaw's pupils modeled the children's garments. Copies of the book, "Re-make Wrinkles," were given those in attendance.

Acting on a suggestion of Mrs. Hurn, head of the War Savings Stamp branch, National War Finance Committee, Mrs. Aldous proposed that the Women's Canadian Club undertake the staffing of a War Savings Stamp booth in the waiting-room of the Vancouver Island Coach Lines depot. Mrs. Aldous asked for 12 volunteers.

Next meeting of the club will be Feb. 18 in the Empress Hotel, when Dean Spencer H. Elliott will speak on Shakespeare.

Labor Delegation Asks Legislation

Representatives of the Canadian Congress of Labor today asked Premier John Hart, Labor Minister George Pearson and the cabinet for amendments to the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act and the Workmen's Compensation Act.

Especially they asked that so-called "company" unions be outlawed.

They requested health insurance, an immediate program of rehabilitation and reconstruction, measures for safety and health, free textbooks in all elementary schools and establishment by provincial authorities, in co-operation with the municipalities, of day nurseries in which workers' children can receive proper care while their parents are at work.

In the delegation were E. E. Leary, president of Vancouver Labor Council; Nigel Morgan, chairman of the council's legislative committee; Harold Pritchett, vice-president of the council; John Turner, secretary-treasurer of the Vancouver Labor Council; Percy Lawson, Nanaimo, secretary of Island Labor Council and United Mine Workers; Robert Noble, Victoria, secretary, Victoria Labor Council; Malcolm McLeod, president of the Shipyard Workers' Federation of B.C.; George Prince and Harvey Murphy of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Union; Charles Saunders of the Dock and Shipyard Workers' Union, Vancouver; S. Robertson, president of Dock and Shipyard Workers' Union of Victoria; E. A. McLennan, business agent of the Boilermakers' Union, Victoria; Tommy McDonald, Victoria organizer of the I.W.A., and J. M. Smith, business agent for the Deep Sea and Inland Boatmen's Union.

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Ottawa Forgetting West, Says McGeer; Racial Fight On

VANCOUVER (Special)—G. G. McGeer, K.C., Liberal M.P. for Vancouver-Burrard who announced Wednesday he will not be a candidate in the next federal election, has added he has no intention of returning to civic politics, in which field he was mayor of Vancouver for the 1935-36 two-year term.

"I have done my duty and when the war is over I'm quite willing to let the younger men take over," he said.

"I've left them a few targets to shoot at."

McGeer, who has been in Ottawa since he was elected to the House of Commons, said he was tired of the waste time hanging around Ottawa. Western members don't appear in the picture at all. They are merely tolerated in a poor sort of way. That's as far as it goes. British Columbia and Alberta are yet to be recognized as part of the Dominion of Canada as far as Ottawa is concerned.

INTERESTS IN CONFLICT

Mr. McGeer said he could not wage war against the monopolistic interests in the east and at the same time safeguard the interests of his constituents in the west.

He denies any interest in the provincial field and says he plans to resume his private law practice in Vancouver.

"It is a long way to Ottawa, but it is 10 times as far from Ottawa to Vancouver," he said.

"We must consider seriously whether we can continue to suffer the treatment we have had since Confederation. We see the old provinces of Quebec and Ontario again raising, in the midst of this war, the old racial conflict."

"The B.N.A. Act assumed we could build a national home for two peoples, maintaining as a constitutional right, their language, customs and laws intact."

"The conflict is dividing Canada and will continue to divide us. Thus we, in this, to us, all-important part of Canada, are often forgotten."

Many observers think Mr. McGeer's decision is partly dictated by a recent illness which severely sapped his energy. He is only 56 and close friends doubt if ordinary considerations could have influenced his decision.

Mayor Welcomes Ideas From Plans

Referring to the reconstruction plans before the town planning committee of the City Council under Alderman T. W. Hawkins and from other organizations, as published exclusively in the Victoria Times, Mayor McGavin today said it was hoped the proposals may bring forward some practical suggestions from the public which will be of value.

"We may get some useful suggestions from our citizens," the mayor said. "Any and all suggestions will be welcome and receive the consideration of the City Council."

Contrary to the proposals placed before Alderman Hawkins' committee, the mayor said he favored a City Hall and auditorium as near the centre of the city as possible, instead of grouped with other buildings around the Causeway centre, as set out in the plans published in the Times.

Injured in Accident

Norman Nanteles, H.M.C.S. Givenchy, was removed to Naden sick bay at 10:25 Thursday night suffering a possible fracture of the ankle.

The motorcycle he was riding east on Johnson and a car driven west on Johnson by Ray A. Emery, 1819 Fern, had been in collision between Douglas and Blanshard.

An army truck driven by J. S. Gourley of an ack-ack unit ran on a bank at McClure and Blanshard at 11:15 Thursday night and turned on its side when Gourley, according to police records,

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was blinded by the lights of an approaching car.
 Saanich police informed city police four times with wheels had been stolen from a car owned by Alan McAnnally, Ten-mile Point, W. Colbourne, 1857 Crescent, and J. K. Keating, 734 Queens, reported they had found tires.

Women Plead Not Guilty To Bawdy House Charges

Bernice Hudson, charged in city court today with being the keeper of a common bawdy house, the Capitol Rooms, 644 Cormorant Street, pleaded not guilty and asked time to secure counsel.

Rose Boyle and Irene Patterson, arrested at the same time, 9:40 Thursday night, by Sgt. Harry Mercer and squad, pleaded not guilty to charges of being inmates of the house.

All charges were remanded until Wednesday for trial.

Mrs. Hudson was released on \$100 bail while the other two accused were released on \$50 bail each.

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Suspension of Oil To Spain Steps Up Pressure On Franco

LONDON (CP)—The reported United States embargo on shipments of Caribbean oil to Spain in February is furthering a step in the Anglo-American "get tough" attitude toward Gen. Francisco Franco, Spanish dictator.

While official comment was not available, informed quarters linked the reported action with recent sharp words to Franco from Foreign Secretary Eden and others in Parliament. The Foreign Secretary in the House of Commons Jan. 19 warned Franco of "the most serious effect" which the presence of Spanish troops fighting alongside the Germans on the Russian front "must have on Anglo-Spanish relations now and in the future."

The warning was couched in such strong terms as to suggest that Eden, while side-stepping an open rupture, was leaving no doubt that Britain's patience was running out over the thinly-disguised Spanish aid to Germany.

MATTER DISCUSSED
Informed sources said it "could be considered likely" the embargo action would have been taken after discussion between the British and United States governments.

A Washington dispatch on the reported suspension said Spain

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Nettuno Landings Hit Nazis On Chin, Says Gen. Alexander

NEW YORK (AP)—A dispatch from correspondent C. L. Sulzberger to the New York Times today quotes Gen. Sir Harold Alexander, Allied commander-in-chief in Italy, as saying 5th Army forces have established themselves firmly south of Rome and are in position to take the initiative.

The dispatch, dated Wednesday aboard a British warship, quoted Gen. Alexander as saying after a tour of the area: "Everything is very encouraging. We have not only seized the initial beachhead but have built up our forces. Everything is going wonderfully."

Gen. Alexander stressed the element of surprise as a favorable factor for the Allies.

"The port of Anzio," he said, "had been highly prepared for demolition. The Germans were ready to touch it off. But they were so surprised they had no time to explode their demolitions."

"The main 5th Army front troops did an excellent job of drawing in the Germans. I want especially to pay tribute to the Americans along the Rapido, who did a wonderful job in getting across that high, fast-flowing river and establishing two bridgeheads, although they later lost them. (U.S. troops have now recrossed the Rapido.)"

"This action held down German reserves, drawing them into battle and thus facilitating the landings farther up."

"We made the enemy lower his

Postmaster to Quit
DUNCAN — Harry Collings, postmaster at Duncan for the last 12 years, and before that for five years assistant to his predecessor, is giving up his post and will live in retirement. Ill-health is the reason for the resignation which will take effect at the end of either February or March.

Chick-Sexer Given Extra Gas Rations

DUNCAN — The Cloverdale chick-sexer has been given enough gasoline to cover all Vancouver Island poultry farms.

His case was laid before R. W. Mayhew, M.P., by various poultry breeding and agriculture associations, whose members were faced with loss of service by this essential expert when he announced that his gas ration was nearly exhausted, and that he would not be able to visit the island this spring. Mr. Mayhew took the case up with the oil controller at Vancouver with satisfactory results.

Chicks Hatch Early
DUNCAN—Vancouver Island's spring-like winter is fooling the animals. At Cowichan Station, a hen, cross between a Rhode Island Red and an English game bird, property of Capt. and Mrs. C. L. Anderson, has hatched out 15 chicks. The brood, alive and well, have been placed in an incubator for protection.

Where to Go Tonight
(An Advertiser)
ATLAS — Lucille Ball in "Best Foot Forward."
CADET — "Action in North Atlantic," starring Raymond Massey.
CAPITOL — "Northern Pursuit," starring Errol Flynn.
DOMINION — Charles Laughton in "The Man From Down Under."
OAK BAY AND PLAZA — "Victory Through Air Power," by Walt Disney.
RIO — "Campus Rhythm," starring Gale Storm.
YORK — Fred MacMurray in "Rangers of Fortune."

Australian Slang In Dominion Show
Movie audiences may not be able to understand it fully, but they are expected to get as much of a kick out of the colorful Australian slang in "The Man From Down Under" as they do from Andy Hardy's unorthodox lingo. The film, which stars Charles Laughton and Binnie Barnes, opens today at the Dominion Theatre.

"It's fair dinkum" is used frequently in the picture, meaning "it's okay." When Charles Laughton tells Richard Carlson, who plays a prize fighter in the story, to "stomach 'im good," he means simply "hit him!"

OAK BAY AND PLAZA THEATRES
Walt Disney, whose latest full-length technicolor film is "Victory Through Air Power," finds himself pretty busy making shorts for the government.

Among the special short subjects films he has produced for the army, navy and air corps are "The Story of the Mosquito" and "Der Fuehrer's Face," which speaks for itself, and "Rules of the Nautical Road," made for the navy.

"Victory Through Air Power," which is the film adaptation of Maj. Alexander P. de Seversky's book of the same name, now at the Oak Bay and Plaza Theatres through United Artists release.

YORK THEATRE
The adventure, romance and crackling action of the old southwest come to the screen under the masterful directorial touch of Sam Wood in "Rangers of Fortune," the Paramount picture now at the York Theatre.

Famed for his handling of "Good-bye, Mr. Chips" and "Our Town," Wood succeeds in a totally different vein this time, telling the story of three gay and gaily knights of the sagebrush.

Fred MacMurray and Patricia Morison are romantically linked in lead roles, while Albert Dekker, Gilbert Roland, Joseph Schildkraut and Dick Faron play the leading featured roles.

CAPITOL THEATRE
Marcellino, sole survivor of 17 wounded marines bombed while being evacuated from Guadalcanal, has laid aside his automatic rifle for an eyebrow pencil, and is now a make-up man at Warner Bros. studios. His last assignment was making up stars of "Northern Pursuit," a story of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, which is now showing at the Capitol Theatre.

ATLAS THEATRE
The draft presented no problem to the casting director of "Best Foot Forward." MGM's Technicolor musical show showing at the Atlas Theatre. His chorus numbered 100 dancers, 50 boys and 50 girls—almost between the ages of 15 and 17.

These youngsters surround Lucille Ball, William Gaxton, Virginia Weider and Harry James, and add to the entanglements and fun which result from a movie actress' visit to a boys' prep school.

Edward Buzzell directed the lavish musical which was produced by Arthur Freed. Included in the cast are most of the members of the original company George Abbott presented so successfully on Broadway.

CADET THEATRE
Raymond Massey and Humphrey Bogart are starred in "Action in the North Atlantic," the heroic story of the men of the United States merchant marine. The Warner Bros. picture now at the Cadet Theatre.

RJO THEATRE
The earliest childhood ambition of Gale Storm was to be a choir singer, but as a young woman she became one of the screen's most fascinating young singers of catchy, popular songs. Miss Storm is heard in four numbers of this description in "Campus Rhythm," Monogram's gay musical film, which is currently at

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\$1,095,848.77 (59%) paid to policyholders themselves
\$764,809.87 (41%) paid to beneficiaries in death claims
- INVESTED IN 1943 VICTORY BONDS—
\$3,750,000.00
Bringing purchases of War and Victory Bonds since outbreak of the War to \$9,675,000.00
- TOTAL INCOME FOR YEAR—\$5,168,809.56
- ASSETS NOW AMOUNT TO—\$30,300,395.74

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A GRAND ENTERTAINMENT WITH A GREAT STAR IN HIS MOST SMASHING HIT!
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Charles LAUGHTON
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The MAN FROM DOWN UNDER
with Binnie Barnes • Carlson • Reed
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'SHOE SHINE BOY'
MUSICAL NOVELTY
'Tails Over the Border'
SPEAKING OF ANIMALS
CANADIAN NEWS
DOMINION
POSITIVELY Last Two Days! At 12.25, 2.30, 4.55, 7.07, 9.21
Adventures in the North Woods With
Royal Canadian Mounted!
Errol Flynn
in
NORTHERN PURSUIT
WITH
JULIE BISHOP
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MERRIE MELODIE CARTOON
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CANADIAN NEWS
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TODAY AND SATURDAY!
With the Nation's Number One Band!
HARRY JAMES — LUCILLE BALL
BEST FOOT FORWARD
In Technicolor
At 12.00, 2.30, 4.55, 7.07, 9.21
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"PILOT No. 5"
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AT BOTH THEATRES
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PLAZA Opens at 12 Noon NOW SHOWING OAK BAY Opens at 6.30
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You bet it's the greatest Hoppy yet!
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TODAY! WORK
ONE OF THE BEST PICTURES OF ALL TIME
WARNER BROS. PRESENTS
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GERALDINE FITZGERALD
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the Rio Theatre, with Gale Storm, Johnny Downs and Robert Lowery in featured roles.
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SUPPER DANCE
Every Saturday Night
CHICKEN SUPPER
9-12 2.50 Couple
Reservations G 2380
CADET
TODAY AND SATURDAY
SUBS OR HIGH WATER... THE CONVOY
MUST GO THROUGH!
"ACTION IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC"
HUMPHREY BOGART • RAYMOND MASSEY • ALLAN HALE
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